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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Rohan *et al.* Confirmation No.: 8065  
Appl No.: 09/993,966 Group Art Unit: 1642  
Filed: November 27, 2001 Examiner: Misook Yu  
For: HUMAN AND NON-HUMAN PRIMATE HOMOLOGUES OF NKD PROTEIN,  
NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES ENCODING, AND USES THEREOF

October 19, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2004, in which the Examiner has required restriction between Group I, namely Claims 1-22, Group II, namely Claims 23-27, 32, and 33, Group III, namely Claims 28-31, Group IV, namely claims 34-37, and Group V, namely Claim 38. Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I (Claims 1-22) and expressly reserve the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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